

Village of Lombard

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255 East Wilson Ave.
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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 27, 2011

7:30 PM

Lorraine G. Gerhardt Community Room

Environmental Concerns Committee

*Trustee Laura Fitzpatrick - Chairperson
Trustee Zach Wilson - Alternate Chairperson
Jennifer Jendras, Diana Urlaub,
Nancy Schukat, Winnie Lyons,
Darlene Bartt, Jason Cooper & Dustin Smith
Staff Liaison: Dave Gorman*

1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Fitzpatrick at 7:02PM. (Dustin Smith arrived at 7:04 PM.)

2.0 Roll Call

*Staff in Attendance:
Dave Gorman, Assistant Director of Public Works
Paul Kuehnlentz, Civil Engineer*

Present: Laura Fitzpatrick, Jennifer Jendras, Diana Urlaub, Nancy Schukat, Winnie Lyons, Darlene Bartt, Jason Cooper and Dustin Smith

3.0 Public Participation

*Mike Brink Waste Management
Dan Hildebrand St. Pius X School*

4.0 Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Lyons, seconded by Schukat, to approve. The motion carried by a voice vote

5.0 Unfinished Business

Fitzpatrick: asked Gorman for the balance in the Recycling Education Grants. Gorman: \$21,000.00. Fitzpatrick: what is the cost for the Recycling Extravaganza? Gorman: about \$2500.00.

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Current Solid Waste Contract - Update

Mike Brink from Waste Management in attendance. Gorman: has been talking back and forth with Mike over the past few weeks, especially regarding the rate adjustments. Brink: passed out a spread sheet that breaks out what the recyclables contain. Also shows the amounts of waste, recycling and yard waste. Committee members commented on the spread sheet and were impressed with how much information it supplied. Gorman: asked Brink for suggestions to get more people to recycle and have less contamination. Brink: education, education, education. Gorman: phone calls went out from Waste Management to remind people about the Recycling Extravaganza. Bartt: it was very encouraging to see more people recycling and holding on to things to bring them to the recycling event. Gorman: had more people this year than last year. Urlaub: would help to educate people on what they actually can recycle. Fitzpatrick: if we do an article recapping the Recycling Event we could remind people what will be collected next year.

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Clean Air Counts

Gorman: nothing new for Clean Air Counts.

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2011 Recycling Extravaganza

Gorman: had 1100 cars come through. Was amazed to see that they did not have as many volunteers for the Electronics. Also there were not as many volunteers over all as there have been in the past. Any ideas why? Urlaub: maybe all of the people at the High Schools did not get the information. Passed out chart with names of volunteers. Jendras: in the past we had a lot of volunteers from Wheaton/Warrenville South. Lyons: also Glenbard South. Should have volunteers arrive at 8:30 and leave at 4:00. Gorman: Vantage Tech had 6 events running that weekend. I have a call into the president to discuss this. Lyons: Vantage Tech was taking cell phones and they were supposed to go to a separate area. Gorman: I did notice this and talked with them about it. They do take cell phones, but they were fine with giving them to the cell phone area. Urlaub: had a lot of positive feedback from the student volunteers. Thanked us for letting them participate. Gorman: there were some negative comments about the flyer. Fitzpatrick: I like bullet points on a flyer. Schukat: I like that idea. Bartt: need to have much less verbiage and print needs to be larger. Gorman: would like to put on the flyer that in the morning that Wilson is E/B only. I had a suggestion that we take ink cartridges next year. Also I will try to get shredding for next year's event. Jendras: we had a record number of book resellers there - at least 30. I did inform the resellers that they could not go past a certain point. A lot of them were asking for specific books, and if you give one to one of them you have to give them to all of them. If we could get the space moved back and get if more marked off. Lyons: we had more books and less volunteers. The resellers had carts that they brought with them and we were tripping over them. None of them were listening. One resident commented that the books used to be standing up and that it was very messy. Gorman: made a note that we need more space for next year. Lyons: it was dangerous! I thought that there used to be cardboard signs that Clark used to set up. Gorman: everything that we had was in the box. We will have to make a note to have signs for next year. Also, if anyone ever feels threatened they can call me over.

6.0 New Business

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Buckthorn Removal Project

Fitzpatrick asked Gorman to review the Buckthorn Removal Project. Gorman: Jason, Dustin and I road the trail to assess the amount of Buckthorn out there. We discovered that there is a lot of Buckthorn! I do not know if we can get it all in one collection. The project will be broken up into 3 area with Jason, Dustin and myself overseeing the crews. Dustin: have done some research on some other species that we might want to attack. Gorman: there would be a specific plan on how to remove the Buckthorn and mark it. Then eventually get out there, maybe even with some of the committee members, to use the pesticides to kill it. Fitzpatrick: put out press release about why we are removing the Buckthorn and put some photos with it. Gorman: this is totally a volunteer event. We are asking people to bring their own supplies. We also talked about girdling the trees. Dustin: the Buckthorn is now outlawed in Illinois. Jason: we could also look at the Japanese Knotweed and there is a lot of Beauty Bush.

It was moved by Bartt, seconded by Urlaub, that this matter be recommended to the Board of Trustees for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote

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E-Waste Prohibition (Public Act 97-0287)

Recommendation by Environmental Concerns Committee and staff to authorize a monthly electronics collection at 101 S. Main Street in Spring, Summer and Fall. (DISTRICT #4)

Fitzpatrick: really like the plan that Dave Gorman has put together. Gorman: would like to hold 3 events - 1 in Spring, 1 in Summer and 1 in Fall. We do need to find a site to holds these. One thought was 101 S. Main . Fitzpatrick: that sounds like a good idea. Bartt: the companies would run it themselves? Gorman: they do it themselves. Lyons: St. Pius X runs one of these twice a year correct Dan? Hildebrand: yes. We use Unitec. Urlaub: always want to make sure that the recyclers are doing the right things with the items.

It was moved by Lyons, seconded by Schukat, that this matter be recommended to the Board of Trustees for approval. The motion carried by a voice vote

7.0 Other Business

8.0 Information Only

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Mosquito Abatement Program Update

Gorman: the mosquitos were really bad during the first half of the summer. Things have been very quiet for the last few weeks though. Did not really receive many complaints at all this year.

9.0 Adjournment

Bartt: we had talked previously about having a Household Hazardous Waste collection. Any update? Gorman: did put in an application with the County for this. Does not look very promising.

Jason: regarding the Vehicle Charging Stations - I will try to collect some information ahead of time for the next meeting.

Gorman: Local Climate Action Plan for the next meeting. Will try to get everyone the information ahead of time.

Lyons: my understanding is that many airplanes empty out their fuel before they get to the airport. There were brown spots on my neighbors home and they were identified as airplane fuel. Is there anyway we can find out information about this? Fitzpatrick will send Winnie a contact name and number.

It was moved by Schukat, seconded by Lyons, to adjourn at 8:30 PM. The motion carried by a voice vote